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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-noted application.

Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication. This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which Applicants are aware.

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However, if the payment is missing from this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees necessary to ensure consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 09-0456.

Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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